EXPEDITED PROCEDURE — EXAMINING GROUP 2125

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For: The Use of Sub (Partial) Cycles, Nested Cluster Cycles, and Lot Cycles for

Determining Equipment Capacities in a Batch Manufacturing Facility

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PATENT APPLICATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 3-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 5, 2007, the period of response being extended from July 5, 2007 to October 5, 2007.

The appropriate fee is being charged via EFS-Web. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-3739.

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